



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

Released April 30, 2018

Producers were able to make significant progress planting corn and have started planting soybeans over the past week. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending April 29, 2018. Statewide, the average temperature was 53.3 degrees, 3.0 degrees below normal. Precipitation averaged 0.32 inches, 0.54 inches below normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 12 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 2 percent very short, 10 percent short, 79 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Corn planted was at 32 percent, compared to 59 percent last year and the 5-year average of 40 percent. Soybeans planted was at 7 percent, 5 percentage points behind last year but 2 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average. Winter wheat headed reached 5 percent, compared to 61 percent last year and the 5-year average of 18 percent. Winter wheat condition was rated at 3 percent very poor, 6 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 10 percent excellent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending April 29, 2018

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Illinois	5.6	3	11	74	12	2	10	79	9

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2013-2017 Average
	April 29, 2018	April 22, 2018	April 29, 2017	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn planted	32	4	59	40
Corn emerged	-	-	18	10
Soybeans planted	7	-	12	5
Winter wheat headed	5	4	61	18

- Represents zero.

Winter Wheat Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
April 29, 2018	3	6	32	49	10
April 22, 2018	1	6	37	49	7
April 29, 2017	-	5	23	60	12

- Represents zero.

Pasture Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
April 29, 2018	1	9	33	47	10
April 22, 2018	2	18	39	34	7
April 29, 2017	-	2	16	58	24

- Represents zero.

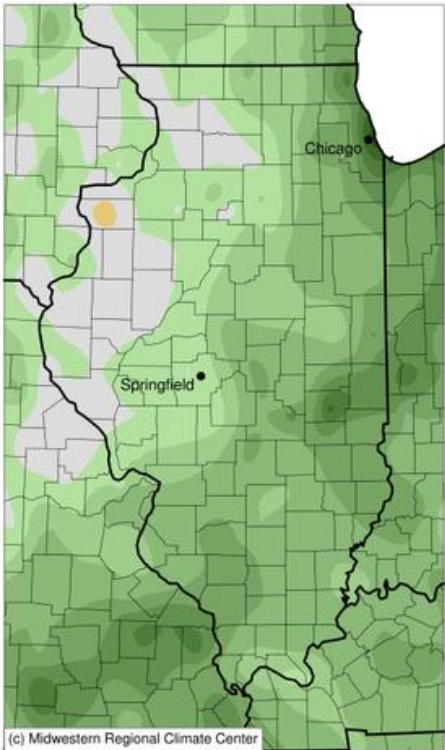
Weather Information: Week Ending April 29, 2018

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)
Northwest	52.3	-1.4	0	-0.77
Northeast	49.8	-2.8	0.03	-0.77
West	54.8	-1.9	0.01	-0.68
Central	52.6	-3.2	0.09	-0.63
East	50.9	-4.1	0.12	-0.61
West Southwest	55.6	-2.3	0.11	-0.74
East Southeast	53.1	-4.6	0.37	-0.54
Southwest	55.5	-3.8	1.30	0.19
Southeast	56.0	-3.3	1.25	-0.03
Illinois	53.3	-3.0	0.32	-0.54

Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

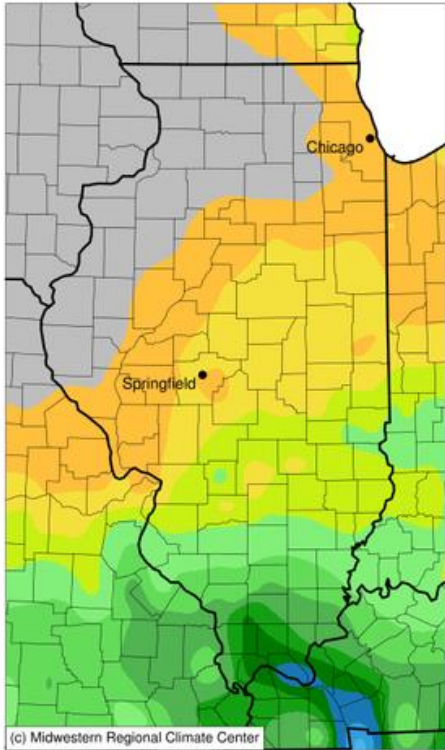
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Accumulated Precipitation (in)

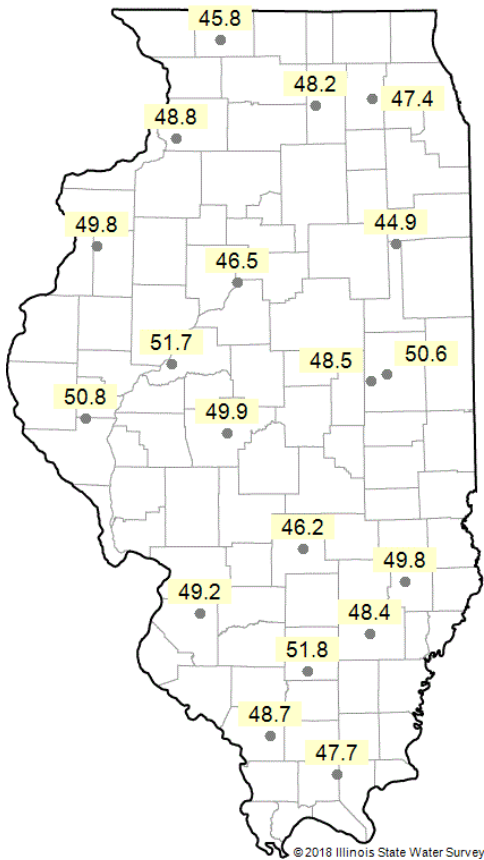
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April 29, 2018

10 AM 4-Inch Soil Temperature Under Bare Soil (° F)



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